### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

## APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Department of Commerce, after receiving testimony from Gary Locke, Secretary of Commerce.

# APPROPRIATIONS: SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, SENATE SERGEANT AT ARMS, U.S. CAPITOL POLICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, and the Office of the United States Capitol Police, after receiving testimony from Nancy Erickson, Secretary of the Senate; Terrance W. Gainer, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate; and Phillip D. Morse, Sr., Chief of Police, United States Capitol Police.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Ronald C. Sims, of Washington, to be Deputy Secretary, who was introduced by Senators Murray and Cantwell, Peter A. Kovar, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, who was introduced by Representative Frank, Helen R. Kanovsky, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, David H. Stevens, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commission, and John D. Trasvina, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, who was introduced by Representative Schiff, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorist Financing, and Fred P. Hochberg, of New York, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Sherburne B. Abbott, of Texas, to be Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, Peter H. Appel, of Virginia, to be Administrator of

the Research and Innovative Technology Administration, Dana G. Gresham, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Government Affairs, Roy W. Kienitz, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Policy, Joseph C. Szabo, of Illinois, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, and Robert S. Rivkin, of Illinois, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of Transportation, April S. Boyd, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, and Cameron F. Kerry, of Massachusetts, to be General Counsel, both of the Department of Commerce, and routine lists in the United States Coast Guard.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Kristina M. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary, Steven Elliot Koonin, of California, to be Under Secretary for Science, Ines R. Triay, of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, who was introduced by Senator Udall (NM), and Scott Blake Harris, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of Energy, and Hilary Chandler Tompkins, of New Mexico, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior, who was introduced by Senator Udall (NM), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Regina McCarthy, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

## TECHNOLOGY NEUTRALITY IN ENERGY TAX

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine technology neutrality in energy tax, focusing on issues and options, after receiving testimony from David L. Greene, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Department of Energy, Knoxville, Tennessee; Gilbert E. Metcalf, Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts; and John M. Urbanchuk, LECG LLC, Wayne, Pennsylvania.

#### AFGHAN WAR SOLDIERS' STORIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine soldiers' stories from the Afghan war, after receiving testimony from Andrew J. Bacevich, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts; Genevieve Chase, Alexandria, Virginia; Christopher McGurk, New York, New York; Westley Moore,